

TOWN OF STONINGTON  
152 Elm Street, Stonington, CT 06378  
**BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE-REGULAR MEETING**  
Monday October 18, 2021 at 5:00PM  
Stonington Police Department

*Stacy Cassata  
Approved  
11/15/2021*

Minutes

**Present:** Kristin Parsons, Stacy Cassata, Annmarie Castagno-Clark, Julie Holland, Kit Hartford, Ayo Bryant

**Absent:** Eric Beverly, Carole Nossek, Danny Oliverio

1. **Call to order**-Meeting called to order by Kristin Parsons at 5:00 pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Approval of Minutes-**
  - a. September 2021 meeting minutes approved with a motion by Julie Holland, second by, Stacy Cassata All in favor.
4. **New Business**
  - a. **Correspondence-**
    - i. **Discussion of monthly meetings** was introduced, suggestion to secure Police Station space keep monthly schedules motioned by Julie Holland second by Stacy Cassata
    - ii. Dead tree next to entrance to Donahue Park and bank in downtown Pawcatuck was raised again and who is responsible of the removal
    - iii. Eric will be cutting some trees and saving for decorating for Christmas
    - iv. Greens will be at Julies house
    - v. First responders Holiday tree to move forward
  - b. Suggestion made for a project in Mystic was raised again discussion to continue next meeting
  - c. **Holmes St-** planters to be put on hold, ongoing discussion needed to be continued next meeting
  - d. **Future 2021-2022 Projects**-Committee to brainstorm additional project ideas
  - e. **Future Fundraising-**
    - i. Discussion of possible other fundraiser options including booth at Farmers Market to create BC awareness
  - f. **Discussion of Bylaws** Suggestion to add additional committee members to bylaws 9 members with one alternate bring a solid 10. Suggestion to table until next month motioned by Julie second by Kristen
    - i. **New Officers-** were in place
    - ii. **Secretary**-Annmarie Castagno-Clark,
    - iii. **Co-Chair**- Stacy Cassata,
    - iv. **Chair**-Kristin Parsons,
5. **Old Business**

- a. Donahue Park Walkway-tree needs to come down tree warden has tagged waiting for removal
- b. Scarecrow Contest- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scarecrow contest in progress, trophies have been purchased
- c. Fall Clean Up- completed by Ayo and Kit with help from Senator Heather Somers
- d. Clean up at the Korean Memorial needs further attention
- e. Rain Barrel fundraiser was addressed discussion to continue

6. Comments from the public-

- a. Concerns about safety in Donahue Park and gazebo damages is ongoing
- b. Guest, Jen Lacker, resident on Willow Street and neighbors have asked the BC to consider beautifying the triangle in the neighborhood. The tree has died and they consider the ballyards to be an eye sore. to the neighborhood and visitors. Guest Jennifer Lacker talked about ideas to improve the area. Julie mentioned we should keep on agenda for future meeting. That more information needs to come back from the department of public works.

7. Adjourn-Motion to Adjourn by Julie Holland, Second by Kit Hartford, All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Annmarie Castagno-Clark

Beautification Committee Secretary

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